

<b>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>											
<b>REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 12/09/2008</b>											
Atty. Docket No. <b>ZIMM1780</b>											
<table border="1"> <tr> <td colspan="2">Applicant <b>Scott A. Webb</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Application Number <b>10/633,371</b></td> <td>Date Filed <b>08/01/2003</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Title <b>Spinal Implant</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group Art Unit <b>3733</b></td> <td>Examiner <b>Comstock, David C.</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Confirmation Number: <b>5117</b></td> </tr> </table>		Applicant <b>Scott A. Webb</b>		Application Number <b>10/633,371</b>	Date Filed <b>08/01/2003</b>	Title <b>Spinal Implant</b>		Group Art Unit <b>3733</b>	Examiner <b>Comstock, David C.</b>	Confirmation Number: <b>5117</b>	
Applicant <b>Scott A. Webb</b>											
Application Number <b>10/633,371</b>	Date Filed <b>08/01/2003</b>										
Title <b>Spinal Implant</b>											
Group Art Unit <b>3733</b>	Examiner <b>Comstock, David C.</b>										
Confirmation Number: <b>5117</b>											

Mail Stop RCE  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**Certificate of Transmission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited electronically with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office using the United States Patent and Trademark Office's EFS-Web system on

2-26-2009

Stacy Sutton Kerby  
 Signature

STACY SUTTON KERBY  
 Printed Name

In response to the Official Action mailed on December 9, 2008, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the Claims in view of this reply.